HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 772 By West

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Conrad Reiber upon being selected for entry into the "Book of Golden Deeds".

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who through their extraordinary efforts have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Conrad Reiber of Hermitage who has been selected for entry into the "Book of Golden Deeds", an honor bestowed upon him by the Donelson-Hermitage Exchange Club; and

WHEREAS, the "Book of Golden Deeds" is a special recognition acknowledging community members whose service to humanity is not often widely publicized or acclaimed; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to advance his community and through selfless acts of kindness and compassion, Mr. Reiber founded Operation Furnishing Air for the Needy (F.A.N.) in 1995; Mr. Reiber established Operation F.A.N. in order to assist his fellow citizens who are in need of assistance with utility bills or air conditioning; and

WHEREAS, using donations to Operation F.A.N., Mr. Reiber purchases fans to distribute to those who are unable to cool their homes during the hot summer months; and

WHEREAS, additionally Mr. Reiber has lent his time and talents to the World Relief refugee resettlement services where he has coordinated donations of household items, supervised the warehouse, assisted with apartment setups, and offered community education for the past four years; and

WHEREAS, over the past 26 years, Mr. Reiber has assisted those with alcohol- or drugrelated problems, along with their family members and the community, through education, awareness, and personal testimony; and WHEREAS, his compassion and concern have extended outside the borders of the United States, in January of 1993 Mr. Reiber took part in a 13 day church mission trip to Ukraine; and

WHEREAS, a retired employee of Firestone, Mr. Reiber has actively devoted himself to the betterment of the community; and

WHEREAS, Conrad Reiber epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean, and takes his place among the many noble citizens who have earned this State the nickname of "The Volunteer State"; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of our society depend, in great measure, on the dedication of people like Mr. Reiber who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Conrad Reiber for his dedication to the State of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Conrad Reiber for laudable service to the people of Tennessee, saluting his selfless acts of compassion, recognizing his outstanding record of volunteerism, leadership, and community spirit, congratulate him upon his entry into the "Book of Golden Deeds", and extend to him our best wishes for every continued success and much happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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